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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Street cars guarded by troops were run in Norfolk yesterday, but no passengers were carried. —— W. E Small & Co., cotton and stock brokers, with headquarters at Macon, Ga., have suspended. —— Fire at Aiken, S. C., destroyed nine buildings in the heart of the city; several persons were injured. —— Barge Cardenas, adrift for 39 days, picked up at Fire Island light and towed to Newport News. —— Heavy snowfall reported throughout Southwest Virginia. —— Snow fell steadily all yesterday at Asheville, N. C., and Knoxville, Tenn. —— The Boer representatives had an interview with Secretary Hay. —— The prosecution closed its case in the trial of Patrick for the murder of Wm. M. Rice. —— The Senate expects to reach a vote on the Ship Subsidy bill one week from next Monday. —— President Roosevelt informed the Boer delegates who called upon him yesterday that the U. S government would not interfere in the struggle in South Africa. —— Bank at Montgomery, Ind., robbed by burglars of $10 000 in cash and bonds. —— Five citizens of Sacramento, Cal., drowned in the river at that place Sunday. —— Prince Henry visited Niagara Falls yesterday and continued his journey to Boston, Mass., last night. —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 2¾@3 per cent; cotton quiet at 9 5/16c; flour firm and active for winters, but steady on spring grades; wheat—spot dull; No 2 red 86⅝c; corn—spot steady; No. 2, 69c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 5

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 59 degrees; 8 P. M., 49 degrees; maximum, 64 degrees; minimum, 49 degrees; mean, 56 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .12; rainfall since 1st of the month to date, .55 inch.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—For North Carolina: Fair Thursday; brisk to high west to northwest winds on the coast; fair Friday.

Port Almanac—March 6.

Sun Rises	6.24 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.00 P. M.
Day's Length	11 H. 36 M.
High Water at Southport	5.17 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	7.47 A. M.

The hobby of the Shah of Persia is a collection of cats from all countries. He is not a poet but he has a weakness for the mews. Oh, pshaw.

Those sword contributors in South Carolina have a sword on hand that they don't know exactly what to do with since Maj. Jenkins has refused to accept it.

Mr. Fournier, the automobile engineer, has a name that is worth something to him. An automobile company has hired the use of it for $50,000.

Chaplaincies in the U. S. navy must be soft snaps. There are four hundred applications for a vacancy created by the resignation of a chaplain who wasn't satisfied with the salary.

Now they say the Maine ice crop is short, the harvest amounting to only 500,000 tons, about one-third of the usual cut. The fact is that Jack Frost isn't nearly as reliable as a well equipped ice plant.

Licking envelops in the Departments at Washington will henceforth be a sinecure. In the pension office a machine has been installed which licks and seals 50,000 envelops a day.

Switzerland isn't such a large country, but there is plenty of room in it for people to grow upward. The latest reported freak is a fellow who is 9 feet 7 inches tall, and is getting $6,000 a year for exhibiting himself.

A New York æsthetic wants cuspidors put in the street cars. And then the companies would probably have to hire a force of experts to teach the average New Yorker how to hit 'em when he expectorates.

The Philadelphia *Press* suggests that Congress set aside a contingent fund to draw upon at once in case other Americans are kidnapped as Miss Stone was. This would be a very good way to make kidnapping Americans a permanent industry over there.

The oldest college girl in this country is Mrs. Wateman, aged 60 years, a student at the North Western Academy, in Evanston, Ill. When she graduates there she will take a full course at Cornell. By that time she thinks she will be prepared for the scrimmage in life.

SAVINGS & TRUST CO.

Annual Meeting of Popular Wilmington Banking Institution Held Yesterday.

MOST CREDITABLE SHOWING.

Officers Made Favorable Reports—Election of Directors for Ensuing Year and Subsequent Choice of Officials—Value of Stock.

The 12th annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company was held yesterday noon at the office of the bank on Princess street. There was a gratifyingly large number of shares represented and the reading of the annual reports, which consumed a greater portion of the session, showed that the past year was a most successful one with that popular institution.

Maj. W. F. Robertson presided at the meeting and Cashier Charles E. Taylor, Jr., was secretary. The following directors were elected:

Messrs. H. Walters, J. W. Norwood, Geo. R. French, Donald MacRae, D. O'Connor, H. L. Vollers, N. B Rankin, J. V. Grainger and Jos. W. Yates. At a subsequent meeting of the board of directors Mr. J. W. Norwood was re-elected president; Mr. H. Walters, vice president, and Mr. Chas. E. Taylor, Jr., cashier.

Not the least interesting feature of the meeting was the reading of the annual report of President Norwood. That part of it which deals with the active workings of the institution the past year is as follows:

"During the past year your company has opened 1,055 accounts with new depositors. Total deposits have increased $131 418 44. The company has loaned exceeding $1,900 000 during the year. The greatest care is exercised in the selection of loans, and only the strongest securities accepted. No loss has been made during the year and no loan is carried which could not be sold without recourse on the bank at cost under normal conditions. The stock in your company will now sell readily at exceeding three times the par value. The annual dividends of 6 per cent. on the par value appear to be a very small return on the market. The management bears in mind that the chief object of the organizers of this company was to encourage savings in our community, and have therefore put aside a large surplus to secure depositors than any other savings bank in the State. This policy must be in the interest of the shareholder as well as depositor, from the fact that stock in your company will sell much higher than the stock in any other bank in the State."

Real Estate Transfers.

By deeds filed for record yesterday Stephen Sneeden and Mrs. Elizabeth Vollers transferred to Frank Herbst for $30, a certain parcel of land in Harnett township on northern prong of Bradley's Creek where it is crossed by the bridge of the turnpike company, and Robert N. Harriss transferred to George Harriss for $100 his undivided interest in a parcel of land in Federal Point township containing about 1,800 acres and situate about 10 miles below Wilmington, adjoining the lands known as the Dr. F. J. Cutlar property; also another tract containing about 600 acres in Masonboro township, bounded by the lands of E. B. Dudley, the Federal Point road, lands of Henry Martindale, W. G. Smith and the late Eli A. Hart; also another tract in Masonboro containing about 50 acres, bounded on the south by Watson's branch, Carter and Blothes' bays; also another tract in Cape Fear township on the head of Prince Glove Creek, containing about 550 acres and bounded by the lands of Hines, Bloodworth and others.

Hankins-Conoway Trial.

In the investigation of the controversy in Justice McGowan's court yesterday morning, A. T. Conoway and daughter, Miss Lydia Conoway, were bound over to the Superior Court in the sum of $50 each for assault and battery with a deadly weapon and Mrs. Conoway was discharged, she being the wife of the principal defendant and committing the act in the presence of her husband. Mr. Conoway and Miss Conoway gave the required bond to the Superior Court through their attorney Marsden Bellamy, Esq. B. R. Hankins, the prosecuting witness, was without counsel. Particulars of the disturbance were given in yesterday's STAR.

Funeral of Mrs. Swann.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Annie P. Swann was conducted from the residence of her son, on Ninth street, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the Rev. Jno. H. Hall. The interment was in Bellevue cemetery, the following having acted as pall bearers: Messrs. T. C. Seeders, L. M. LeGwin, T. J. Landin, Jno. W. Hewett, James Hewett and W. K. Bell. There was a good attendance of friends upon the services and the floral tributes were very pretty.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice—In bankruptcy.
E Warren & Son—Just out.
W. B. Cooper—Fancy tomatoes.
S. W. Sanders—Is this up to you?

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Timber lands.
Grocery Store—For sale.
Dorcas Society—Meeting.
R. V. Leonard—Norton yam slips.

— Maj. J. A. Lundeen, of Fort Caswell, arrived on the belated Southern train last night, from Charleston, and is at The Orton.

DR. C. T. HAWES IN EXTREMIS.

Reported In a Dying Condition at Home of His Father—Thought he Has Smallpox.

News reached the city yesterday of the critical illness of Dr. C. T. Hawes of this city at the home of his father, eight miles from Rose Hill, in Duplin county. Dr. Hawes is not expected to live and was reported by telegraph yesterday in a dying condition.

He left Wilmington Sunday a week ago to accompany his father to Baltimore for an operation for appendicitis, but before he could leave with his parent, he was himself taken ill with lagrippe which later developed into pneumonia, and to add to the already serious complication, he contracted smallpox, which makes his condition, indeed, very grave.

Dr. Hawes is receiving the best attention from three physicians and a nurse, but his friends here have almost given up hope. He is a member of Jefferson Lodge No. 61, K. of P., of this city, and yesterday Dr. J. N. Johnson, formerly of Wilmington, telegraphed to Mr. E. H. Munson of his condition. Jefferson Lodge at once took steps to provide all the comforts possible for the distressed member. Dr. Hawes' friends here hardly believe that he could have contracted smallpox, although it is so diagnosed by the county physician of Duplin. He had visited a couple of his friends here who had chicken pox just before leaving ten days ago, and it is believed almost to a certainty that he is suffering with the less virulent disease. However, the health authorities here decided to take no risks and yesterday afternoon Capt. Robert Green thoroughly fumigated his room at Mr. E. S. Lathrop's residence, No. 213 North Fifth street, and also his dental office in the Masonic Temple. Capt. Green is also taking more than the ordinary precaution in watching for the disease here and the first case, if there should be any, will be promptly quarantined.

A telegram from Dr. J. N. Johnson last night to Chancellor Commander Anson Alligood, of Jefferson Lodge No. 61, K. of P., stated that there was no change in the condition of Dr. Hawes. He was not expected to live through the night.

King's Daughters Entertained.

The entertainment given by the King's Daughters in the lecture room of the First Baptist church last night was well attended and was very creditable to the ladies who arranged it. Owing to the critical illness of Dr. C. T. Hawes, a prominent worker among the young people in the church, the programme of musical and literary features was shortened, but the numbers rendered were very fine and called forth numerous encores. There was a pleasing recitation by Miss Louise McManus; a charming duet by Mrs. Chasten and Miss Isabelle Struthers; a well rendered recitation by Miss Lila Keith; a beautiful solo by Miss Rena Mills and a piano solo admirably executed by Miss Isabelle Struthers. Oysters and other refreshments were served during the afternoon.

Seaboard Train Late.

The Seaboard Air Line train, due to arrive at Wilmington at 3:05 P. M. yesterday, did not reach the city until 10:15 o'clock last night. The delay was due to a chapter of bad luck. In the first instance it left Hamlet two hours late on account of connections having been behind time. It came to Council's Station and there had to abide the time of an extra freight train which had broken down and blocked the track two and a half miles this side of Council's. All in all the train had rather a "rough passage," as the sailors say, and of course returned to Charlotte away off schedule time last night.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The regular monthly meeting of the N. C. Sorosis will be held this afternoon at the club room at 4 o'clock.

— Mr. John W. Plummer, Jr., received a consignment of fine Florida oranges last night. They are the first to come to market here and are going in a hurry.

— Wm. Jackson, a half-witted negro, was required to pay the cost in Justice McGowan's court yesterday in a case against him for an assault upon Arthur McNeill, colored.

— The tug *Alexander Jones*, towing the distressed barque *Glad Tidings*, reached Baltimore safely Tuesday night and spent yesterday at Norfolk coaling. She probably proceeded to Southport last night.

— The steamer *Hurt* did not clear for the return to Fayetteville Tuesday as expected. She waited until yesterday to receive freight from the New York steamer, which was a day late, arriving yesterday morning and clearing in the afternoon for Georgetown.

— Grand Secretary B. H. Woodell, of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, left yesterday for Chadbourn as announced in the STAR, but will return this afternoon and pay a visit to Wilmington Lodge No. 139 to-night. Wilmington Lodge will give him a cordial welcome.

— The "boss" New River oyster of the season was sent to the STAR office last night by Bennett Bros., who conduct a saloon and up-to-date cafe at northeast corner of Water and Market streets. It weighs 37 ounces, unshucked, is nearly a foot long and large in proportion. That's the kind John Bennett says he serves to his customers every day.

NO MORE FRANCHISES

Board of Aldermen is Chary On the Subject of Exclusive Privileges.

BELL TELEPHONE MATTER.

The Council Decided it was Best to Have Further Time for Consideration of Underground Wire Ordinance—Other Municipal Subjects.

A called meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held last night for the purpose of considering the ordinance and amendment thereto offered by Alderman Geo. Harriss at the last meeting of the Board, relative to the underground system of wires wanted by the Southern Bell Telephone Company.

After the meeting was called to order and the ordinance read again, however, it was the concensus of opinion that more time should be given for individual study of the question, and a motion by Alderman Sweeney prevailed to the effect that the proposition should be re-referred to the Ordinance Committee for consultation with the City Attorney, a report on the same to be had at the next regular meeting. The Mayor directed that in accordance with the law that in the meantime the City Clerk and Treasurer should furnish to each member of the Council a copy of the ordinance for a personal consideration of its provisions.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 o'clock, and those in attendance were Mayor Waddell, presiding, and Aldermen Johnson, Sweeney, Von-Glahn, Harriss, Maunder, Skinner, Mann and Spencer, and Assistant City Clerk and Treasurer C. H. White. The clerk, by direction of the Mayor, read the call for the meeting, signed by Messrs. Harriss, Maunder, Skinner, VonGlahn, Parker, Spencer and Sweeney, and stating the object of same. There was a brief discussion of the feasibility of incorporating the amendment into the original ordinance, and also remarks as to the merits of the proposition.

Alderman Sweeney suggested that there might be an element of exclusive franchise in the ordinance, and asked Mayor Waddell his opinion of the proposition.

Mayor Waddell said he had given the subject some thought, however, without the ordinance before him and that while he was heartily in favor of the underground wires, he would counsel deliberate consideration and thought it would be best for the Board to take more time. He suggested the inquiries whether or not the effect of the ordinance would be to grant a free franchise; why there should be haste if the company did not contemplate commencing work on the conduits before next Fall, and whether or not some conditions should not be imposed as to rates in case the underground ordinance should force competing companies out of the field. The ordinance clearly meant a contract with the city and the Board should beware of entangling alliances.

Upon conclusion of the Mayor's remarks, which were entirely by request, Mr. Sweeney made his motion to re refer, which action was taken as stated, unanimously upon second of Mr. Harriss.

Mr. Johnson afterwards made a motion, which unanimously prevailed, to the effect that while the committee was considering the Bell Telephone ordinance, it should also investigate the feasibility of requiring all wires of whatsoever nature to be put under ground and that an ordinance so worded should be submitted with the report. Mr. Harriss, chairman of the Ordinance Committee, readily consented to make the investigation.

The Streets and Wharves Committee was authorized to exchange two disabled mules in the street cleaning department for two others, which had been offered by Mr. J. C. Blackley for $400, the disabled animals to be taken in part payment at $150 and the remaining amount to come out of the next year's appropriation.

Alderman Johnson inquired if $400 was not an exorbitant price for two mules, but Mr. Maunder and the Mayor said they were the finest animals ever brought to the city and could be purchased on 30 days' trial. The $250 in exchange, or so much thereof as is needed, was unanimously appropriated and the Mayor stated he thought from a conversation he had with the chairman of the Board of Audit and Finance that the purchase would be concurred in.

In this connection Alderman VonGlahn suggested the propriety of the city's building its own stables and caring for the mules in the department. He said the mules would last longer and he believed they could be more economically and better kept.

Mr. Harriss, chairman of the Fire Committee, said that a consultation of his committee with that on Public Buildings would shortly be held with that very end in view. The plan is to concentrate several companies of the fire department at one central station and use the building at Front and Princess streets for the city's live stock. That course was recently recommended by Chief Chas. Schnibben in his annual report of the Fire Department.

The Board then adjourned.

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by H. Boin's Palace Pharmacy.

AFFAIRS OF THE COUNTY.

Auditing Committee in Regular Session Yesterday Afternoon—To Inspect New Wire Fence to Sound.

Chairman D. McEachern and Mr. Gabriel Holmes, composing a majority of the auditing committee of the Board of County Commissioners, met yesterday afternoon and passed upon the usual bills for current expenses for the month of February. Mr. H. L. Vollers, the third member of the committee, is out of the city and was not present at the meeting.

Ordinarily the Board meets on Thursday afternoons but Messrs. McEachern and Holmes contemplate a trip to the country to-day to inspect the new county fence, hence the meeting was held a day earlier. The section of the fence which they will inspect for the purpose of formally receiving extends from Scott's Hill to the Sound. The rail fence along this section was recently replaced with wire by contract with Orrell & Carroll. The entire fence is now of wire and is said to be in prime condition.

The auditing committee will perhaps meet to night after the trip to the country to pass upon the Treasurer's monthly statement, and to receive the report of the County Attorney on the question of adopting the resolution offered at Monday's meeting of the full Board, in regard to allowing the Bell Telephone Company certain privileges along the public highways in the construction of its long distance lines to Wilmington.

BAD YEAR FOR VESSELS.

Pendelton Brothers Have Suffered Heavy Losses This Winter.

Capt. G. D. Pendleton, of the firm of Pendleton Bros., New York, who is here looking after the distressed schooner *Mary L. Crosby*, which has repaired and will be ready to sail next week, yesterday received a telegram from Bermuda, W. I., saying that his company's barque *C. C. Dixon*, with a cargo of salt, bound from Turk's Island to Baltimore, was totally dismasted in the recent storms on the Atlantic. She will tow to Baltimore for repairs.

He also received a telegram Tuesday night from Nova Scotia, saying that the schooner *Laura*, owned by the same firm, had been abandoned at sea and the crew was picked up and carried to Nova Scotia. The vessel was bound from Savannah to New York with a cargo of lumber.

The firm of Pendleton Bros. operates about 100 sailing vessels, and Captain Pendleton says this has been the worst Winter in years for shipwrecks.

SMALL STEAM YACHT BURNED.

"Lachiquita" Partially Destroyed by Fire Early Last Night.

The little steam yacht *Lachiquita*, 10 tons, Capt. E. C. Woodberry, used as a transfer boat by the Pittsburg Lumber Company between Wilmington and its mill up the river, was partially burned last night about 8:30 o'clock while tied up at Grace street dock, where she had been left by the master about 6.30 o'clock. The blaze started in some pine wood by heat from the boiler near which it was piled. The department responded to an alarm from box 25 and although the blaze had communicated itself to the wharf it was quickly extinguished.

The yacht was valued at $2,500 and the loss by fire was only about $300 upon which there was no insurance. It was owned jointly by Mr. W. T. Mercer and a Mr. Grady, who recently moved to the city and is employed by the Pittsburg Lumber Co. The boat is 38 feet in length and 8 feet 10 inches in width.

Ice from the Kennebec.

The schooner *Albert T. Stearns*, 483 tons, Captain Bunker, is on its way to this port and will arrive about next Monday with a cargo of 824 tons of Kennebec river natural ice for the Independent Ice Company, of this city. It will be discharged at the A. C. L. wharf, and will be used by the Independent Company in filling its large contracts with the Fruit Growers' Express for stocking the strawberry icing stations at Faison, Mount Olive, Warsaw, Teachey's and Chadbourn. In the meantime, the factory of the company here is turning out a large product of excellent quality.

Master for Prescott Palmer.

Capt. Jno. A. Carlisle arrived yesterday from Boston, Mass., and went down to Southport in the afternoon to relieve Capt. D. H. Sumner, of the five-masted schooner *Prescott Palmer*, which recently put in there on account of having been blown out of her course on the voyage from Bath, Me., to Baltimore. Captain Sumner had his arm broken on the trip, and will most probably leave by rail to-night for his home at Walterboro, Me., to recuperate. The *Prescott Palmer* has a charter to load coal at Baltimore. She will sail in a few days.

Fire at the Fulton House.

The fire at 3:31 o'clock yesterday morning was in the kitchen of the Fulton House, a four-story brick building, Nos. 22-24 North Front street. It is owned jointly by Mr. W. A. French and the Fulton estate and the damage to the building was about $35. Messrs. O. P. Cazaux & Co., who have a crockery store on one of the first floors, suffered a loss to some extent by smoke. The flames originated from hot ashes taken from the stove in the kitchen.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS.

Merchants' Association Directors Met in Regular Session Yesterday Afternoon.

LATE JAMES H. CHADBOURN.

Resolutions of Respect in His Honor—Several New Members Elected—Wilmington Day at Charleston Exposition—Other Matters.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Merchants' Association was held yesterday afternoon, President W. E. Springer in the chair. The following members were present: Vice President C. M. Whitlock, Secretary P. Heinsberger, Messrs. M. W. Jacobi, D. C. Love, J. H. Thomas and A. O. Schuster.

Col. A. M. Waddell, mayor of the city, was also present, by invitation, and addressed the meeting in regard to "Wilmington Day," April 11th, at the Charleston Exposition. He read the letter from Col. Jno. C. Hemphill, recently published in the city papers, and asked the merchants to manifest a lively interest in the day and to induce as large an attendance of representative citizens as is possible.

After hearing Col. Waddell, those present appeared to be interested in making a good show on "Wilmington Day" at the Exposition and a resolution was adopted requesting all members of the Association, who could do so, to attend on that day.

Mr. George R. French reported for the committee appointed to draft suitable resolutions to the memory of the late James H. Chadbourn and the beautiful expression which may be found in another column was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The resignation of Mr. J. W. Murchison as a member of the Board of Directors, accepted at the last meeting, was reported and Mr. W. H. Chadbourn was elected in his stead. The resignation of Mr. A. B. Skelding as a member of the Board was likewise received, but an effort will be made to get him to withdraw the same.

The Secretary was requested to prepare in alphabetical order a list of the names of all debtors reported to the collection bureau with the amounts due in open account or judgment by each, a report on the same to be made at the next regular meeting.

As a result of special effort the following new members were unanimously elected: Dr. C. T. Hawes, G. M. Murrell, Croom & Hunt, Jno. W. Plummer, Jr., F. K. J. Fuchs, Gaston D. Phares, A. D. Wessell and J. Hicks Bunting.

A communication was received from the National Association of Retail Grocers asking endorsement of H. R. Bill No. 9.352, otherwise known as the "Pure Food Bill." The same was placed on file.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining Uncalled For in the Wilmington Postoffice, March 5th, 1902.

WOMEN'S LIST.

Lillie Clark, (2), Leancy Chadwick, Floria Goins, L B Hild, Eliza Johnson, Eliza Jackson, Flora V Loyd, Bertha Larkins, Della Mitter, Emma Moore, J F Margure, S G Moore, Ellen E Perkins, L F Potter, Ethus Ruffiney, Lonnie Smith, Althea Westbrook, Celia Williams.

MEN'S LIST.

Allen Dawson, J E Atkinson, Jessie Atkinson, A J Bazarth, Jack Brown, M Beverly, J E Crulin, J E Dickson, J W Deane, Rufus Edwards, J H Faison, J C Gray, W W Gaither, F Hunt, F H Hill, G L Howard, W Henety, Sam A James, N D King, W A Letters, Tom McKoy, Jas McBryde, Edmund Ruff, C Royal, J D Rusey, A T Sessions, Jno Sumson, T B Stanley, Luther Wheeler, T C Williams & Co.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days they will be sent to the dead letter office. M. C. DARBY, Postmaster.

Opera House Offerings.

"Fabio Romani" was presented to a rather small but very appreciative audience at the theatre last evening. Manager Schloss announces for the Opera House to morrow night one of the choicest offerings of the season. "The Casino Girl," which has proved the chiefest of the musical successes of the New York Casino. The sale of seats begins this morning, and indications are that it will be large.

To Investigate a Collision.

Capts. J. T. Borden and F. B. Rice, government steamboat boiler and hull inspectors, were here yesterday on their way from Charleston to Newbern to investigate a collision in Pamlico Sound about two weeks ago of the steamer *Ocracoke* and schooner *Maria*. They will return here to-morrow and inspect the tugs *Alexander Jones* and *Imperial*.

Chamber of Commerce Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon. Aside from the usual business incident to the closing up of the year's business there is a number of other important subjects which demand immediate attention. A large attendance is most earnestly desired.

— Mr. A. Palmgreen, an expert jeweller, has accepted a position with Mr. George Honnel, succeeding Mr. Fred Schuler, who recently returned to his home in Chicago.

MR. SHELTON AT THE Y. M. C. A.

Very Interesting Meeting Last Night—The Programme for To-night.

Mr. Don O. Shelton's remarks at the Y. M. C. A. last night in the second of the series of three meetings held by him with the local Association, were in the interest of Association work in non-Christian lands.

Mr. Shelton's travels in all countries peculiarly fitted him for the subject in hand and his address was accompanied by gratifying results. The local Y. M. C. A. subscribed $73 annually to the further extension of the work and steps were taken toward the appointment of a committee to further the work.

A feature of the musical programme during the evening was a charming violin solo by Miss Florence Pearsall, which was greatly enjoyed.

State Secretary Knobel was also present at the meeting and renewed many pleasant acquaintances in Wilmington. Both he and Mr. Shelton will be entertained at an elegant supper to be given this evening in the Association building by the Woman's Auxiliary. After that entertainment an interesting meeting of Y. M. C. A. workers will be held, at which Mr. Shelton's especial theme will be "Bible Study." He is an interesting speaker, fired with enthusiasm in the cause and abundant in resources for any subject he may undertake to discuss. In his address last night, in which the missionary spirit was predominant, he gave interesting figures of the Association work in foreign lands and its great future possibilities.

General Manager Barr Coming.

Mr. L. B. Rogers, chairman of the Produce Exchange committee on double daily passenger service between Wilmington and Hamlet, yesterday received a letter under date of March 3rd, from Vice President and General Manager J. M. Barr, of the Seaboard Air Line, stating that both he and his traffic manager have appointments which will prevent their coming to Wilmington before March 13th, but that they will be here on that day certain and will be glad to meet the joint committee in regard to the extra service wanted over his road. The letter was written by Mr. Barr before the Produce Exchange managers met on Tuesday and manifested impatience at his coming. The letter was evidently delayed in transit.

THE STATE BASEBALL LEAGUE.

Manager Rivers Will Arrive in Wilmington To-day—Supreme Court Cases.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 5.—Manager Rivers, of the Raleigh Athletic Association, leaves to-morrow morning for Wilmington to see that that city puts a team in the State Baseball League. He returned from Greensboro to-day, and reports that the town is already getting together a team and preparing grounds. The baseball magnates met to-night, canvassed the situation and say that a league composed of Raleigh, Durham, Greensboro, Newbern, Wilmington and Charlotte is assured.

The following cases were argued before the Supreme Court to day: Chas. A. Petteway vs. Thos. A. McIntyre and E. V. Baltzer, by Meares & Ruark, Duffy & Koonce and W. D. McIver for plaintiff; Rountree & Carr for defendant. Clinton Loan Association vs. A. F. Johnson, by Allen & Dorch and W. A. Dunn for defendant; Junius Davis for plaintiff.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mrs. Mildred Radcliff, of New York, is visiting Mrs. J. Frank Maunder, on Fourth street.

— Mrs. A. E. James, who has been visiting her son, Mr. George H. James, returned to her home at Rocky Mount yesterday.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: "We were glad to see Capt. W. H. Pemberton, who has been in the Marsh-Highsmith Sanitarium for several weeks, able to be out riding yesterday."

— The STAR regrets to learn that Sheriff Geo. A. Burns, of Cumberland, is seriously sick with pneumonia at his home in Fayetteville. He has many friends in Wilmington who will rejoice to hear of his speedy recovery.

— Among yesterday's arrivals were: M. B. McAuley, Clarkton; J. Morrow, Kingsdale; J. A. McKinnon, Floral College; E. J. Vandergraft, Raleigh; W. F. English, Mount Olive; Geo. Woodroffe, Mount Airy; Robt. J. Walker, Charlotte, and D. K. Pope, Charlotte.

RESOLUTION OF RESPECT.

"WHEREAS, In the course of nature death has removed from our mid t Mr. James H. Chadbourn after having attained the human limit of three score years and ten, and "he has been gathered to his fathers," we the members of the Merchants' Association in common with this community have suffered a loss by his demise of a good, upright citizen and a merchant of sterling integrity. Alive to the interest of this city and especially to the welfare and uplifting of the rising generation, in the matter of their education and the development of our public schools, he was ever active in the discharge of his duty and faithful to the trusts committed to him. Wise in counsel, conservative and prudent, he was always a safe adviser in public and private affairs and this Association has lost a member whose place it will be difficult to fill, and we may well resolve to cherish his memory and his public spirit.

"Resolved, That this tribute of respect be spread on the records as an expression of our appreciation of his virtues, and that the secretary forward a copy to the family with assurance of our profound sympathy and respect.

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"GEORGE R. FRENCH,
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, EASTERN District of North Carolina—ss. In the United States District Court in and for said District, Fourth Division. In the matter of Jefferson McIntyre, volunteer bankrupt. No. 77. In Bankruptcy. Petition for discharge. To the Honorable Thomas R. Purnell, Judge of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina. Jefferson McIntyre, of Laurinburg, in the county of Scotland and State of North Carolina, in said district, respectfully represents that on the 29 h day of January last past, he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the Acts of Congress relating to bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said Acts and of the orders of the Court touching his bankruptcy. Wherefore, he prays that he may be decreed by the Court to have a full discharge from all debts provable against his estate under said Bankrupt Acts, except such debts as are exempted by law from such discharge.

Dated this 1st day of March, A. D. 1902.
JEFFERSON McINTYRE, Bankrupt.

ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON.

Eastern District of North Carolina, county of New Hanover ss: On this 3rd day of March, A. D. 1902, on reading the foregoing petition, it is ordered by the Court that a hearing be had upon the same on the 17th day of March, A. D. 1902, before S. H. MacRae, Esq., Referee of said Court, at Fayetteville, N. C., in said district, at one o'clock in the afternoon; and that notice thereof be published in THE MORNING STAR, a newspaper printed in said district, and that all known creditors, and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted. And it is further ordered by the Court that the clerk shall send by mail to all known creditors copies of said petition and this order, addressed to them at their places of residence, as stated. Witness, the Honorable Thomas R. Purnell, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at Wilmington, N. C., in said district, on the 5th day of March A. D. 1902.

Attest: HIRAM L. GRANT, Clerk.
By WM. H. SHAW, Deputy Clerk.
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BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 6.

THE SHIPPING BILL LAUNCHED

The promoters of the ship subsidy scheme have at last secured for it the right of way in the Senate. Its sponsor, Senator Frye, launched it Monday, and led the debate with a strong plea for subsidies, not only as a matter of good policy but of absolute necessity. We call it a strong plea because he said about all that could be said in favor of it, and took great care to steer around the principal objections to it.

In the course of his speech Senator Frye took much for granted that was true and much for granted that was not true. He took for granted that the great industrial progress of this country is directly the result of the tariff protection, which is not true. That this protection may have stimulated some manufacturing industries may be and doubtless is true, but the fact remains that this country has been making steady progress industrially ever since it began manufacturing, and the further fact remains that the progress made is more the result of superior advantages, the abundance of raw materials and the genius, energy and resourcefulness of the American people than of any legislative bolstering.

In proportion to national wealth and population this country never made more industrial and commercial progress than it made in the decade from 1850 to 1860, which was a "tariff for revenue only" era and came as near free trade as it is possible to come when any tariff duties are levied.

Senator Frye alleges that it was the want of protection that swept from the seas the American merchant marine, which up to 1858 was the second on the main, and turned over our carrying trade to ships which sail under foreign flags. That is not true; but if he had said that protection to other industries was a great and one of the most potent factors in bringing about this result he would have spoken the truth.

Up to 1860 we had the finest sailing vessels on the seas, royal sailers, as swift as the wind, and manned by Americans—ships that any nation might have been proud of. They were the planning of American genius and the handiwork of American skill. Our ship yards, although wages were higher then than they were in European yards, as they are now, could build ships cheaper than they could be built in Europe, because we had an abundance of ship-building timber, which European countries did not have; but when the iron and steel steamer began to be substituted for the wooden sailer, the conditions changed and European countries which had good supplies of iron took the lead of us in the building of that kind of vessels. At that time this country was a comparatively small iron or steel manufacturer, but Great Britain, with her iron and coal mines and blast furnaces, was a great iron and steel producer and easily took the lead as an iron and steel ship builder.

At that time our iron manufacturers were novices in the working of that metal, and to favor them and protect them from the wealthier and more skilful manufacturers of Great Britain, which was then the great iron producing country, the Republicans, when they got control of Congress, adopted the policy of tariff protection and levied high duties on iron, steel and the manufactures thereof. This made it impossible for American ship builders to import the structural iron or steel which they could not procure at home, and as wooden sail ships could not compete with iron steam ships, our yards were soon forced out of building ships for ocean traffic and the business passed over to British yards. That was the cause of the decline of the American merchant marine; it wasn't lack of protection to our shipping, as Senator Frye alleges, but too much protection given to the "infant" iron industry, which acted as a prohibition on the imports of foreign iron or steel.

But this condition no longer obtains, for as the conditions were reversed in 1858 when the iron ship took the place of the wooden ship so are they reversed again, this time in favor of our ship builders, for now our iron and steel producers can make these articles more cheaply than they can be made in Europe, and our ship builders, if they were dealt fairly with by the iron and steel makers, could build iron and steel ships for less money than they can be built in European yards, notwithstanding the higher wages paid in this country.

Here again the protection which Senator Frye lauds as the great industrial upbuilder, operated against the rehabilitation of the American merchant marine as it operated in the destruction of the merchant marine nearly forty years ago. If these iron and steel makers dealt as fairly with our own ship builders as they do with foreign purchases of their manufactures, or as European iron and steel makers do with their ship builders, there would be no need of subsidies to encourage the building of ships or to entice capital into the ocean carrying business. Wherever there might be a demand for ships American capital would put the ships provided they could have them built as reasonably as their foreign competitors can.

The difference in operating expenses may be something, but not enough to make it impracticable for American ships to take their place on the seas and compete with the foreign ships. If there be a difference in wages, &c., that would be but temporary for the higher wages paid on American ships would soon draw to them the sailors of other nations and the shipmasters of those nations would be compelled in self defence to put wages up to the American standard.

It is deceit or nonsense to pretend, as Senator Frye does, that the millions his bill proposes to pay in subsidies are necessary to offset the higher wages and the greater cost of operating American ships, and enable Americans to keep upon the seas the ships they might put there.

CELEBRATING MAJUBA.

General Kitchener suppressed as long as he could the details of the disaster to the British troops on the 25th of February. I seems that he had planned a grand round up of the Boers on that day, to celebrate the anniversay of the battle of Majuba Hill, but possibly the Boers may have gotten some hints of this, for they seem to have been doing some planning, too, as a result of which the celebration didn't pan out just as Kitchener had calculated, for instead of a Boer round up and a British victory it was a British round up and a British disaster.

That it was a well planned attack by the Boers is shown by the fact that a number of their leading fighters took part in it, the fighting was at several points simultaneously, and the unsuspecting Britons were taken completely by surprise.

According to Kitchener's first report it was a British victory, the Boers only having succeeded in capturing some "empty" wagons and two guns, which were afterwards recaptured, to offset which the British captured a number of Boers, some 28,000 head of cattle and a lot of sheep, which is accounted for by the ruse of the Boers, who gathered these cattle and sheep, drove them before them into the British lines and made their attack on the convoy under cover of the cattle.

There was no statement in Kitchener's report as to the number of British soldiers killed, wounded and taken prisoners, and this statement might not have been made yet if it had not been for questions asked in Parliament when the dispatch about the fight was read. It now seems that the Boers, the number of whom engaged is estimated at from 1,200 to 1,700, killed, wounded and captured 632 British soldiers, about half as many as the Boers engaged, from which it would seem that the Boers did some pretty strenuous work and some characteristically good shooting.

It was one of the worst set-backs the British have had since the war began, and is proof conclusive that the Boers are very far from being the conquered people they have so frequently been represented to be, and that there is lots of fight in them yet, notwithstanding Kitchener's hundreds of block houses and miles of wire fences.

MORE ABOUT SILK CULTURE

As we have made some reference in these columns to silk culture and as it is a matter in which the farmers of our State are interested, we copy the following, which we find the Fayetteville *Observer*, addressed to Secretary Rose, of the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce:

"N. C. Department of Agriculture,
"Raleigh, N. C., Feb 28, 1902

"Dear Sir: The Department is in receipt of a great many letters offering lands supposed to be suitable for growing the mulberry for silk-worms. We wish to say that there is at present little demand for small farms for silk-growing. The only way to make such lands profitable is to utilize the mulberry leaves for feeding worms and raising silk. The new silk company will purchase for cash all the cocoons that can be produced in the State. Silk-growing communities are always prosperous. Lands in the silk-growing regions of Italy, no better than ours, sell for from $300 to $500 per acre. The labor utilized in producing silk is chiefly that of the young, the aged and the infirm. By growing silk it will be possible to add as much as $3,000,000 per year to the income of the country people of the State, without drawing upon the labor needed in making any crop commonly grown in this State.

"I unhesitatingly advise all who have land suitable for growing the Chinese mulberry to plant at least 100 trees of that or the Downing everbearing or Moretti varieties. The trees must be three years old before they can be used to feed worms. The Downing must be grafted, but the others grow rapidly from root or wood cuttings. The young stock should be grown one year in the nursery and must be cultivated like the peach tree.

"It is likely that the new silk company will supply eggs of the silk-worm free of charge to those who have mulberry leaves upon which to feed them and who wish to grow cocoons for the company.

"If you desire to attempt this business let us know and we will inform the company. Very truly,

GERALD MCCARTHY,
Biologist."

The fact that the mulberry will thrive in North Carolina and that silk can be successfully produced has already been demonstrated. There is no question about that. The only question is whether people who have land at their disposal will take interest enough in it to give it a trial. We believe if they did they would find that it would pay, and add another profitable feature to the industry of the farm.

Silk manufacturing has made great progress in this country within the past twenty years, but nearly all of the raw silk is imported, while it is possible to produce in this country all that is required, even if the manufacturing industry continues to increase as it promises to. As far as we know there are silk manufactories in only two Southern States—North Carolina and Virginia, about $135,000 being invested in this State, and between $400,000 ane $500,000 in Virginia.

A little three old tot, in Colorado, daughter of a ranchman, wandered from home a few days ago, and after a hunt of nine hours was found at one o'clock in the night standing in a ditch, up to her knees in mud, surrounded by coyotes, and wasn't even afraid. A hundred men or more, were scouring the wilderness of the prairie looking for her. One of the remarkable things about it is that the party who found her were directed to where she was by a woman at a farm house who had been aroused from her slumbers by the hunters, and who told them when they had made known their business that she had just seen that child in a dream, and directed them to the place where she dreamed she saw her.

Out of the many millions of buffaloes which once herded on the Western plains there are said to be but about 800 left. There is a movement on foot now to purchase some and put them on reservations to prevent their total extermination. The millions were slaughtered for their hides and for the amusement of the hunter.

BOOK NOTICES.

The political and economic reader will find the March number of *Gunton's Magazine* an interesting one. It discusses many questions now engaging attention in this and in other countries. Published by The Gunton Company, Union Square, New York.

The reader will find an excellent list of contents in the March number of *The Atlantic Monthly*, which is always an interesting and valuable publication, but unusually so is this number. The articles contained in it cover a wide range of topics. Published by Houghton, Mifflin and Company, No. 4 Park street, Boston.

The February number of *The Charlotte Medical Journal* contains a valuable list of contents, one of the notable articles being a paper entitled "The Negro and Medicine" by the editor, Dr. Edward C. Register, in which he discusses the ability, or rather inability of the negro to successfully master the science of medicine. This is but one of the many valuable papers, which the profession will appreciate. Published by The Medical Journal Company, No. 38 South Tryon street, Charlotte, N. C.

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Sometimes a fortune, but never, if you have a sallow complexion, a jaundiced look, moth patches and blotches on the skin—all signs of Liver Trouble. But Dr. King's New Life Pills give Clear Skin, Rosy Cheeks, Rich Complexion. Only 25 cents at R. R. BELLAMY's Drug Store. †

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It's easy to dye with Diamond Dyes
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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Aberdeen *Telegram*: A walking medicine vender supposed to be named Dr. A. J. Bryant, of Massachusetts, was killed by No. 41 Seaboard Air Line train last Monday night just across Drowning Creek. He is supposed to have been drunk and lay down on the track as he was not seen by the engineer or fireman.

— Washington *Progress*: The Cropsey case seems to have been lost sight of to a great extent. Court convenes in Elizabeth City on March 10 h, at which time the grand jury will pass upon a bill charging Wilcox with the crime If a true bill be found we are informed that a motion will be made to remove the case to another county for trial It has been suggested that Beaufort would be preferred.

— Gastonia *Gazette*: Gastonia is not a whit behind Statesville in the matter of chicken curiosities. Mr Forrest Floyd, of Anders & Floyd, liverymen, has a little chicken which has four well developed legs and feet. It is two weeks old and is as lively as a bird. It walks, scratches, kicks up the dust, or more properly the "mud" and indulges in all the antics peculiar to the chicken kind.

— Danbury *Reporter*: We are informed that preparations are now being made at the Vade Mecum Springs to build another hotel much larger than the one there now. —— The indications are that we will have a late spring, a good crop year and plenty of fruit. Old citizens say they have often seen peach trees in full bloom ere this. Now there's not the smallest sign of life in any kind of vegetation or plant life. For the first time since a month before Christmas the ground is thoroughly thawed out.

— Greenville *Reflector*: Monday afternoon the children of Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Bailey were playing in front of their home on Second street, when in some way Bennie, aged four years, set his clothing on fire with a match. The screams of the little boy attracted the attention of the servant who was in the house attending the baby, and she ran out and met him as he was going towards the house and put out the fire. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey had just gone to the river to look at the water, but returned in a few minutes and were terribly shocked at the accident with which the little boy had met. Physicians were summoned and everything possible was done for the child, but he died Tuesday morning.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Governor Aycock yesterday granted a respite to Frank Shaw until April 3 d, 1902. Shaw was convicted of murder in the first degree at the February term of court in Robeson county, and sentenced to death. The Governor's reasons for granting this respite are as follows: "The respite is granted the prisoner until Thursday, April 3rd, 1902. This respite is given on the recommendation of the sheriff of Robeson county, Hon. N. A Mc Lean and many other reputable citizens, who think that the prisoner should have some further time for preparation to meet his awful fate The request is a humane one and is granted in deference to the Christian sentiment which inspires it."

— Durham *Herald*: There was a murder in Wake county, near the Durham county line at an early hour last Sunday evening, the particulars of which reached Durham yesterday morning. The man killed was John Morgan and the murderer is Ed Hicks. Both were negroes. The murderer has made his escape and up to the last information from the section he had not been arrested Since Sunday morning Durham has been shaken by the commission of mysterious crimes, the like of which the city never experienced before. Since early Sunday and more especially since Sunday evening—the people have been in a fever of excitement. Sunday morning a man who gave his name as Gus Miller, a German, was found in an almost unconscious condition in the northern part of the city. His head was beat and cut; his skull broken and he had been robbed. Before the news of the bold crime had spread over the city James E. Lee, ticket agent for the Southern road, was sand bagged in early twilight Sunday evening; money taken from his pocket; his keys secured, and the safe in the office of the Southern road robbed.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Governor Taft says three years is about as long as an American can endure the Philippine climate. But, no matter, we are not in the Philippines for our health.—*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

—— King George and Queen Olga, of Greece, went down to the dock at Piraeus on the arrival of the steamer Celtic with a large party of Americans aboard, and shook hands with many of them. The American sovereign is receiving recognition from his European brethren nowadays in a way to satisfy his pride.—*Brooklyn Citzen, Dem.*

—— As the Sherman Anti-Trust law is a penal statute, and must therefore be construed strictly, the organizers of the Northern Securities Company express a great deal of confidence that the act cannot be applied to their case. There is not in the Sherman act from beginning to end a provision defining a "merger," and the defendants say that men cannot be convicted of a penal offence that is not clearly defined in the law.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— Any broadside, sweeping measure to promote irrigation in the Far West now would inure to the benefit of the land-grabbers alone. Time will come when national aid may be necessary in reclaiming some of those vast desert wastes, but it is not yet. We exclude the Chinese and we decoy all the European immigrants to the West under the promise of a farm without cost, until the farmers of the East are at the point of desperation for lack of labor and superabundance of Western competition on farms which cost their owners nothing.—*Jacksonsville Times-Union, Dem.*

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MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, soften the gums, and allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

Dr. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION FOR WEAK WOMEN.

CONGRESSMAN OGDEN SAYS:

"For those who need a good catarrh medicine I know of nothing better than Peruna."

Congressman Henry W. Ogden, of Louisiana.

Hon. H. W. Ogden, Congressman from Louisiana, was elected to the 53d, 54th and 55th Congress. In a letter written at Washington, D. C., he says the following of Peruna, the national catarrh remedy:

"I can conscientiously recommend your Peruna as a fine tonic and all round good medicine to those who are in need of a catarrh remedy. It has been commended to me by people who have used it, as a remedy particularly effective in the cure of catarrh. For those who need a good catarrh medicine I know of nothing better."

Mr. Virgil Rowlee, Fulton, Oswego, county, N. Y., writes: "I am an old soldier, and have doctored with five different doctors for stomach trouble for three years. I could get no help. I took your Peruna and now feel like a new man. I can recommend it to anyone suffering with catarrh of the stomach. A great many people want to know what I took that helped me so much. I tell them it was Peruna. One year ago I could hardly do anything and only weighed 100 pounds. Now I weigh 140 and cannot say too much for your medicine, as it has done me so much good."

So many people think catarrh affects the head only. This is a great mistake. The stomach is liable to catarrh. The kidneys are also very liable to catarrh, producing all the symptoms of kidney disease. Most cases of weak back are due to catarrh of the kidneys. Catarrh of the bladder is a common disease, and is rapidly becoming more and more common. It produces the host of distressing symptoms which follow bladder disease. In short, all urinary and pelvic organs are subject to catarrh, and catarrh is more frequently the cause of disease of these organs than all other causes combined.

Mr. J. Edward Williams, of Lebanon, O., Box 438, was cured of systemic catarrh by Peruna. Systemic catarrh is that condition in which catarrh has permeated the whole system. Mr. Williams says: "I took Peruna for acute catarrh of the entire membranous process.

"I suffered every conceivable evil that can accompany chronic catarrh in its most aggravated form. I coughed incessantly. My stomach refused to do its duty at all. The intestines became inflamed, the kidneys were paralyzed, the bladder lost its tonicity. I began with Peruna, and realized a steady improvement from the first until I was entirely cured."

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TWINKLINGS.

— They say too many cooks spoil the broth. That is true; but fortunately, very few people know the difference.—*Chicago Post.*

— Poor man, said the inquisitive old lady, I guess you'll be glad when your time is up, won't you? No ma'am, not particularly, replied the prisoner: I am up for life.

— Some people think sinecures should be abolished, while some moderate reformers think it would be well enough to transfer them to—well, to certain moderate reformers.—*Puck*

— Patient—Vat! Do you mean to charge me $2 a visit? Doctor—That is my regular rate to everyone. Patient—Yase, but I introduced der disease into der neighborhood!—*Life.*

— Do you call this realistic fiction? asked the critic. Certainly, replied the author, what's the matter with it? It's altogether too probable, answered the critic.—*Tit-Bits.*

—Gusch—His after-dinner speech was the very soul of wit; don't you think so? Krusty—Perhaps. There certainly wasn't any body to it.—*Philadelphia Press*

— "Some men," said Uncle Eben, "has to be excused foh findin' fault. Dey ain' got inergy 'nuf to do sumpin' deirse'sfs, an' de only way dey kin show dey knows what's goin' on is to kick."—*Washington Star.*

— Mrs. Mahoole—Yes, they do call Mrs. O'Hara th' mother iv protection. Mrs. Malone—Phwey should they call her tha-at? Mrs. Mahoole—Because six iv her sons turned out policemin.—*Chicago News.*

— "I suppose," said Mrs. Gabble, "if I were to go to that 5 o'clock tea it would cause a lot of talk." "Naturally," repli d Mrs. Spyte, "unless you should happen to lose your voice."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— "I'm opposed to you marrying that youngster," said her father. "He'll never amount to anything. He's a weak-kneed——" "Oh! papa!" the plump young woman interrupted, "you really have no idea how strong his knees are."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— What is heredity, mamma?" asked the little girl, spelling the word out through her falling tears, and waiting to write down the meaning. "It is—'m, how shall I explain it? Oh," said the mother, "something you get from your father or me." And the small child wrote down on her paper of home lessons: "Heredity—spanking."—*Tit-Bits.*

For Stair Landings.

In most houses now being built the staircase is likely to be broken by a landing after a few steps. An effective way to make use of the lower rail is to make it the back support of a high settee. The seat to this should be rounded out in front and be provided with a cushion covered with some velvety fabric like velours or corduroy. The support for the seat should match the wood and design of the staircase. One seen fitted against a dark rail had a dull red cushion that was extremely effective.

Washing Lace Handkerchiefs.

By putting lace handkerchiefs in warm water in which are a few drops of ammonia and using castile soap they are easily washed and made a beautiful clear white. Then do not iron, but spread the handkerchief out smoothly on marble or glass, gently pulling out or shaping the lace. Just before it is entirely dry fold evenly and smoothly and place under a heavy weight of some kind, and you will find handkerchiefs lasting thrice as long as before.

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6½
Standard		@	7½
Burlaps	6	@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12½@		14
Sides ℔ ℔	10	@	10½
Shoulders ℔ ℔	9	@	9¾
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	9½@		9½
Shoulders ℔ ℔	9	@	9¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 35	@	1 35
Second-hand machine	1 35	@	1 35
New New York, each		@	1 35
New City, each		@	1 00
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	18
Northern	22	@	28
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	78	@	80
Virginia Meal		@	80
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 25	@	1 30
CANDLES—℔ ℔			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
COFFEE—℔ ℔			
Laguyra	11	@	13½
Rio	8	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	9
ISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 25	@	3 75
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	6 50	@	7 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	1 00	@	1 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	6	@	10
" Extra	4 00	@	5 00
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade	3 25	@	3 70
Choice	3 75	@	4 00
Straight	3 85	@	3 75
Patent	5 00	@	5 25
GLUE—℔ ℔	8	@	10
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	65	@	65
Mixed Corn		@	62½
Oats, from store (mixed)	60	@	60
Oats, Rust Proof	75	@	65
Cow Peas		@	1 05
HIDES—℔ ℔			
Green salted	4	@	5
Dry flint	10	@	11
Dry salt	9	@	10
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
No 1 Timothy	95	@	1 00
Rice Straw		@	60
N. C. Crop	75	@	80
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	2½@		3
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	12½@		14
Dairy Cream	12	@	13½
Half cream	10	@	12½
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	6½	@	13½
North Carolina	10	@	12½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 10	@	1 25
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	18 50
Rump		@	16 50
Prime		@	15 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	11	@	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 25
Liverpool		@	90
American		@	50
On 125 ℔ Sacks	50	@	60
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd		@	5 00
Standard A		@	4½
White Extra C	4½@		4½
Extra C, Golden		@	4¼
C Yellow		@	4
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	32
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	29	@	31
Porto Rico, in barrels	29	@	33
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	17	@	27
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 85	@	3 45
SOAP, ℔—Northern	3½@		6
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	8 00	@	9 00
Common mill	4 00	@	5 00
Fair mill	5 00	@	6 50
Prime mill	6 50	@	7 50
Extra mill	8 00	@	8 50
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed ℔ M 6-24 heart	6 25	@	7 00
" Sap	5 50	@	6 00
5-20 Heart	3 50	@	4 00
" Sap	2 50	@	3 00
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon Northern	1 50	@	1 10

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, March 5.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 41½c per gallon for machine made casks and 40½c per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 15 per barrel for strained and $1.20 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.20 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin nothing doing; tar firm at $1 20; crude turpentine nothing doing.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	9
Rosin	124
Tar	446
Crude turpentine	8

Receipts same day last year—58 casks spirits turpentine, 450 barrels rosin, 12 barrels tar, 8 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON

Market firm on a basis of 8½c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6	cts ℔ lb
Good ordinary	7½	" "
Low middling	8	" "
Middling	8½	" "
Good middling	8 11-16	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 8½c bid for middling.

Receipts—193 bales; same day last year, 427.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 70c; extra prime, 75c; fancy, 80c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish, 70@75c.

CORN—Firm, 76@80c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 14@15c per pound; shoulders, 12½@13c; sides, 12½@13c.

EGGS—Firm at 25c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 20@25c; springs, 10@18c.

TURKEYS—Dressed, firm at 12@14c; live, 10@11c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 70@75c per bushel.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Money on call was quoted steady at 2½@3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487¾ for demand and 485½ for sixty days. The posted rates were 486 and 488½. Commercial bills 484¼@485¾ Bar silver 54¾ Mexican dollars 43¾. Government bonds firmer. State bonds were inactive. Railroad bonds irregular. U S. refunding 2's, registered, 108¾; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 109¾; U. S. 3's registered, 109; do. coupon, 109 U. S. 4's, new registered, 1 9½; do. coupon 139½; U. S. 4's, old reg'd. 111¾; do. coupon, 112¾; U. S. 5's registered, 106½; do. coupon, 106½; Southern Railway, 5's, 121¾; Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 104½; Chesapeake & Ohio 45¾; Manhattan L 131; New York Central 162½; Reading 54½; do. 1st preferred 80; do. 2nd preferred 66½; St. Paul 163; do. pref'd, 189; Southern Railway 32½; do. pref'd 95¾; Amalgamated Copper 68¾; Am'n Tobacco —; People's Gas 99¾; Sugar 127; Tennessee Coal and Iron 68½; U. S. Leather 11¾; do. pref'd, 81¾; Western Union 90½; U. S Steel 42½; do. preferred 94¾; Mexican National 17¾; American Locomotive 31½; do. preferred 92¾; Standard Oil 648@650. Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., 62¾; do. preferred, 121.

BALTIMORE, March 5.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 24¼ bid; do. preferred, 45@45¼; do. 4s 84½@84¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine steady.

CHARLESTON, March 5.—Spirits turpentine and rosin unchanged.

SAVANNAH, March 5.—Spirits turpentine firm at 42c; receipts 68 casks; sales 453 casks; exports 85 casks Rosin quiet; receipts 1,630 barrels; sales 533 barrels; exports 5,286 barrels Quote: A, B, C, D, $1 30; E, $1 35; F, $1 40; G, $1 45; H, $1 50; I, $1 75; K, $2 45; M, $3 85; N, $3 35; W G, $3 70; W W, $3 85.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, March 5.—The cotton market opened firm with prices four to five points higher, on active buying from all quarters and for both accounts. This general movement was the direct result of bullish instead of expected bearish cables from Liverpool, though small receipts and rumors that spot cotton South was again decidedly higher, helped to strengthen bull convictions here. Yet commission houses had large selling orders for profits at the better prices and the bears made a desperate attempt to bring about a reaction. For a time appearances favored a sharp set back, and prices did not work considerably down from the start. Nevertheless Liverpool continued to advance and foreign buying orders were conspicuous here. The New Orleans market advanced in truly sensational form and this too greatly disturbed tired out shorts. By midday prices were net ten to twelve points higher and for the rest of the day tendency was strongly upward, despite continued very heavy selling for profits. Wall street was a free buyer on the advance as were Northern spinners and Southern interests The markets closed firm and net ten to sixteen points higher Total transactions were estimated at 650 000 bales.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Cotton quiet at 9¼c; net receipts 159 bales; gross receipts 3,235 bales; stock 136,520 bales

Spot cotton closed quiet and ½c higher; middling uplands 9¼c; middling gulf 9¾c; sales 1,450 bales.

Cotton futures market closed firm: March 8 93, April 8 96, May 8 93, June 8 84 July 8 87, August 8 72, September 8 42, October 8 20, November 8 10.

Total to-day—Net receipts 15,670 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,712 bales; exports to the Continent 1,714 bales; stock 755 435 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 79 582 bales; exports to Great Britain 43,944 bales; exports to France 25 bales, exports to the Continent 32,959 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 6,539,782 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,533,901 bales; exports to France 617,981 bales; exports to the Continent 2,039,217 bales.

March 5.—Galveston, steady at 8 9-16, net receipts 2,221 bales; Norfolk, steady at 8¾c, net receipts 1,081 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 9c, net receipts 185 bales; Wilmington, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 193 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 9⅜ net receipts 350 bales; Savannah, steady at 8¾c, net receipts 1,326 bales; New Orleans, firm at 8 9 16, net receipts 8,479 bales; Mobile, very firm at 8¼c, net receipts 8 bales; Memphis, firm at 8 7 16c, net receipts 435 bales; Augusta, steady at 8¾c, net receipts 417 bales; Charleston, firm at 8¼c, net receipts 77 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 5. Flour market was firm and active for winters but steady on spring grades. Wheat—Spot dull; No. 2 red 86¾c. Bulls exercised control in wheat most of the day being favored by small Western receipts, fair clearances, light offerings, Southwest strength, the upturn in corn and room covering. In the last half hour real

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OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

At close of business, February. 25, 1902.

(Began business March 1, 1900.)

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$ 541 223 21	Capital stock	$ 200,000,00
U. S. Bonds	201 00 0	Profits le s expen es	45, 99 39
Five per cent redemption fund	7 8 0 00	Circulation	1 6 95 0 00
Real Estate for Bank building	9,937 64	Deposits	880 994 81
Rev-nue stamps	12 1 99		
Cash on hand and in banks	319 445 63		
	$1 038,544 25		$1,083,544 25

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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, February 25, 1902.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$1,006 79! 42
Overdrafts secured and unsecured		188 48
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		98,100 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. D-posits		173,900 00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		23 000 00
Other real Estate owned		10,400 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		93 982 33
Due from State Banks and Bankers		116,395 11
Due from approved reserve agents		112,226 29
Notes of other National Banks	2,215 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	408 78	
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank viz: Specie	$12 319 50	
Legal tender notes 110,=23 00	123,342 50	125,836 35
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		4,700 00
Total		$1,756,119 92

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	$100,000 00	
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	21,959 66	121,960 66
National Bank notes outstanding		95,100 00
Due to other National Banks	186,671 26	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	154,291 90	
Dividends unpaid	485 00	
Individual deposits subject to check	840,675 16	
Demand certificates of deposit	50,014 02	
Cashier's checks outstanding	8 127 52	
United States deposits	173,800 00	1 414 009 26
Total		$1,756,119 92

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, Abd ew Moreland, Cashier of the abovenamed bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 28th day of February, 1902.

W. G. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:

P. L. BRIDGERS,
GEO. R. FRENCH
JNO. S. ARMSTRONG,
} Directors.

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DISSOLUTION.

The firm of Mercer & Phares has this day been dis olved by mutual consent, W. T. Mercer & Co having purchased the one-half interest of Gaston D. Phares. All liabilities are assumed by Mercer & Co., and all claims of the late firm must be paid to Mercer & Co.

This day and date, February 7th, 19.2.

W. T. MERCER,
GASTON D. PHARES.

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In Death's Head Valley

By ANDREW BROSON

When Jessie's father, Simon Ogilvie, acquired his coffee estate on the summit of Santa Nita, Colombia, South America, in the central Andes, he knew little of the climate he was about to face, and Jessie knew less. But he was a brave man and "faced the music" gayly and made a lot of money, while Jessie seemed to find nights of thunderstorm and days of steamy heat agree with her perfectly. Not a girl in all Colombia half so fair as she, with her black hair and brown eyes and 5 feet 11 inches of noble young womanhood.

She was loved "passionately madly" by two men, "madly passionately" by seventeen others and quietly and undemonstratively by a twentieth. The two "passionate mad" adorers were Spanish-Colombians, Pedro and Fernando by name. The seventeen "mad passionate" ones didn't count. The undemonstrative one was Algie Bruce, and he was the only one of whom Jessie appeared to take any notice at all, and that seemed only a contemptuous notice.

"He is so tame," she would say to her father.

"He's a good deal of a man for all that," her father would reply, with a quiet smile.

Pedro and Fernando had been bosom friends till Jessie came. Then they immediately became bosom enemies. Twice under the cover of darkness had Pedro sought Fernando's life with his glittering forest knife. Thrice had Fernando hissed an awful vow straight into Pedro's face that the day he (Pedro) won the love of Jessie would be his last! They watched her wherever she went. Did she appear on the doorstep of her father's wooden house they would spring from behind trees and help her into her saddle. Did she come climbing up the mountain with water from the well, they would scamper down to relieve her of her pails. And of an evening, while she would be singing ballads to her father in the drawing room, they would be flattening their noses against the window, hissing forth their love for her and their hate for each other, and finally turning, with a roar of disgust, and burying their fingers in each other's throats. They were a nice, engaging couple.

It was a May morning. After a night of equatorial thunderstorm, the sun was shining gloriously upon a world of green hill and forest, and far away in Venezuela gleamed the white heights of the Sierra Nevada wrapped in their mantle of eternal snow. Jessie stepped forth from the house, a basket in one hand and a pair of large scissors in the other, and in the same moment Pedro and Fernando also sprang forth, the one from behind a large aloe, the other from the shadow of a pile of deal boxes.

"Where are you going?" shouted the two ruffians as gently as possible.

"Where neither of you cowards will follow me," laughed the girl.

"I would follow you to ——!" Pedro screamed, stopping abruptly.

"So would I!" yelled Fernando. "Where are you going?"

"To gather orchids in Death's Head valley," replied the girl, still smiling.

The two men started and their brown faces turned a little pale.

"I saw a patch on one of the trees looking down from my window last evening, and I'm going to have it."

"But it's certain death!" shouted the two men.

"Not it!" said Jessie. "I'll come back safely, you'll find."

"You shan't go!" hissed Pedro, advancing, but Jessie fixed her brown eyes steadily upon him, and her shoulders went back, and her right arm was raised slowly. She seemed about to brush him from her path, and he retreated with a muttered apology.

At that moment Algie strolled on the lawn, ceremoniously raised his big linen cap and said in that elaborately courteous voice of his, "Good morning, Miss Jessie. Can I be of any use?"

"I am going for some orchids down in Death's Head valley," she said. "You can come with me if you are not afraid."

"I slept there last night," said Algie calmly.

Jessie gave a look at the other two, who were glaring with hate at Algie, then turned to the young American and started off with him down the hill.

Pedro hissed an oath at Fernando, who shouted back a curse. Then the two closed and fought each other with knives till Mr. Ogilvie came out and drove them away with a whip.

Only those who have been in Death's Head valley know what sort of a place it is. At the bottom of it the Rio Cauca runs rapidly along between its banks and bowlders, hissing and foaming and roaring, and in the quiet backwater of the river lie hungry alligators, waiting for something fleshy to take a snap at. Snakes of all lengths between six inches and fifteen feet lie sleeping in the long, moist grass; mosquitoes in myriads buzz and sting; long lizards skurry up and down the smooth trunks of the trees, and the monotonous sss-k-rrr of the "scissor grinder" sounds all day in the thick roof of foliage overhead. It is not a nice place for a Sunday school picnic, and long before Jessie had reached the bottom she had begun to wish she hadn't come, but the calm young man beside her made her feel ashamed of owning up.

They walked beside the river, and little, lobsterlike black insects crawled up their limbs and gave both of them agony. They entered an open glade, and a ferdilance snake suddenly reared up before them and was only dodged with difficulty, Algie giving him a crack on the head with his stick as he passed that left him powerless for all further malice in this world. Wherever they went they encountered fresh dangers, and all the while, unseen and unknown by either of them, a big leopard was stealthily dogging their steps, keeping artfully in the shadow, but with eyes that ever burned and glared—two circles of green malignant fire.

At last they reached the tree on whose topmost branches were blooming the orchids Jessie had seen.

"How high they are!" said the girl, looking up. "I thought the tree was quite a short one."

"Not too high for me," answered Algie, preparing to climb.

"No, no; don't attempt it," cried the girl. "Half the branches seem rotten. You might fall and be killed."

"And what if I were? Who would miss me? Not a soul!" And he gave a short laugh that was a little bitter.

"Do you say that because I brought you down here?" asked Jessie slowly.

"I never dared to think of you as taking the smallest interest in me one way or the other."

"Why?" asked Jessie, making the soft eyes at him. And the leopard behind, seeing them thus absorbed in one another, crept a little nearer.

"Don't look at me like that!" cried Algie, as her face suddenly paled and her eyes opened wide with horror.

"Turn quickly," whispered Jessie. But she was too late. The beast was upon him, its claws in his shoulders, and its teeth in his neck. He turned and writhed, but the brute stuck to him; he gave the stick to Jessie, and, with scream upon scream, she struck it on the head again and again, while the blood poured down the lad's shoulders, and his strength was visibly ebbing away. At last she brought the cudgel down upon the animal's head with a force that broke its skull, and it relinquished its hold and fell to the earth dead, and Algie fell back upon it in a swoon.

Jessie knelt beside him, wiped the blood from his face and neck and bathed him with water from the river. Hour after hour passed, and though he opened his eyes and spoke to her he was utterly unable to rise. At last the sun set, the forest darkened, the lantern flies began to dart hither and thither and all the strange sounds of the night commenced. Then Jessie began to tremble, and a tear fell upon the lad's face.

"I feel as though I were dying," he murmured faintly.

"No," cried Jessie, and leaped to her feet. "Help! Help!" she screamed at the top of her voice. "Help! Help! Help!" And the echoes died away in the blackness of the night.

"Goodby," whispered Algie. "Will you kiss me once?"

She stooped and pressed her lips against his, and his head fell back.

But he was not dead. Oh, dear, no! That kiss, with the magic force that a kiss may have, had revived him, put life into him, set the blood running fast once more, and presently he raised his head again and said:

"Jessie!"

"Yes, darling."

"I believe I shall live."

"Thank God!" And she kissed him again.

Then came a great noise of men calling and a great flashing of big lamps and a wild cry in a woman's voice, and half an hour later Algie was being borne back to Santa Nita, his hand held by Jessie.

And sometimes now he tells his bouncing boys of the night he and their mother once spent in the Colombian forest. But Jessie listens to it with fear and trembling.—Chicago Tribune.

Not In the Secondhand Business.

As Richard Brinsley Sheridan, the great wit, was entering court one day carrying his books and briefs in a green bag, according to the custom of the time, some of his brother barristers, thinking to play a joke on him, urged some boys to ask him if he had old clothes for sale in his green bag. "Oh, no!" instantly replied Sheridan. "They are all new suits."

White Man Turned Yellow.

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WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	10.35 p m	6.35 a m
Ar Monroe	12 1 a m	8.30 a m
Ar Charlotte		9.23 a m
Ar Chester	1.35 a m	9 45 a m
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Ar Athens	6 13 a m	2 15 p m
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Ar Columbia	1.05 a m	8.40 a m
Ar Savannah	4 40 a m	12.05 p m
Ar Jacksonville	9.05 a m	3 50 p m
Ar Tampa	5.40 p m	5.00 a m

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Lv Hamlet	11.00 p m	7.40 a m
Ar Raleigh	3.00 a m	1.05 a m
Ar Norfolk	8.50 a m	11.05 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7.15 a m	5.25 p m
Ar Norfolk		
Lv Hamlet	10.40 p m	7.35 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 50 a m	10.15 a m
Ar Norlina	3.30 a m	11.55 a m
Ar Petersburg	5 54 a m	2.30 p m
Ar Richmond	6.35 a m	3.05 p m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m	6 35 p m
Ar Baltimore	11.25 a m	11.25 p m
Ar New York	4.15 p m	6.30 a m

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Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS	GOING WEST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	4 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston	10 15	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City	7 02	7 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound north, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M.; and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 2.50 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.25 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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Leave Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville.
2 30 P. M.	8 15 A. M.
6 30 P. M.	5 15 P. M.

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6 30 P. M.	

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NORTH BOUND.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.	
DAILY 9.30 A. M.	No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.05 A. M., Warsaw 11.51 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.18 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.21 P. M. Weldon 4.55 P. M., Petersburg 6.46 P. M., Richmond 7.45 P. M., Norfolk 5.5 P. M., Washington 11.42 P. M., Baltimore 1.38 A. M., Philadelphia 4.05 A. M., New York 7.13 A. M., †Boston 3.0. P. M.
DAILY 7.00 P. M.	No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.5 P. M., Warsaw 8.40 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 9.34 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.28 P. M. Weldon 1.37 A. M., †Norfolk 1.00 P. M. Petersburg 3.1 A. M., Richmond 3.57 A. M., Washington 7.39 A. M., Baltimore 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.12 A. M. New York 1.43 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.
DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M	No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY except Sunday 6.00 A. M.	No. 51—Due Lake Waccamaw 7.10 A. M., Chadbourn, 7.41 A. M., Marion 8.46 A. M., Florence 9.35 A. M., Lanes 11.26 A. M.,
DAILY 3.45 P. M	No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.59 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M. Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.35 P. M. Sumter 9 15 P. M., Columbia 10.40 P. M. Denmark 6.14A. M., Augusta 8.10 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.25 P. M. Charleston 11.15 P. M., Savannah 3.00 A. M., Jacksonville 8.20 A. M., St. Augustine 10.50 A. M., Tampa 10.00 P. M

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.10 A. M.	No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.20 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.40 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.25 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M	No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston *1.0 P. M., New York *2.20 P. M., Philadelphia 10.20 A. M., Baltimore 6.55 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.00 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.52 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.59 P. M. Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.15 P. M. Warsaw 4.10 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.
DAILY 10.10 A M	No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 10 night, New York 9.25 A. M., Philadelphia 12.03 P. M., Baltimore 2.15 P. M. Washington 3.45 P. M., Richmond 7.2 P. M., Petersburg 7 59 P. M., **Norfolk 4.00 P. M., Weldon 5.55 P. M., **Tarboro 7.22 P. M., Rocky Mount 8.45 A. M. Leave Wilson 9 36 A. M., Goldsboro7.3 A. M., Warsaw 9 34 A. M., Magnolia 9.57 A. M.
DAILY except Sunday.	No. 52—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.50 A. M., Jacksonville 10.55 A. M.
Sunday 12.15 P. M.	

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY except Sunday	No. 50—Leave Charleston 4.30 P. M. Lanes 6.06 P. M., Florence 8 15 P. M., Sunday Marion 8.54 P. M., Chadbourn 9.53 P. M.
11.30 P. M.	Lake Waccamaw 10.32 P. M.
DAILY 7.40 P. M	No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9 40 A. M., Sanford 2.10 P. M., Jacksonville 8.30 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 6.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 2.00 A. M., Augusta 6.20 P. M., Denmark 4.29 P. M. Columbia 8.25 A. M., Sumter 8.29 P. M., Florence 10.10 A. M., Marion 10.53 A. M., Chadbourn 11.53 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.09 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.15 P. M	No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 8.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.20 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.30 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 5.10 A. M. Maxton 9.05 A. M., Red Springs 9.32 A. M., Parkton 10.05 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.16 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 2.15 P. M., Halifax 2.58 P. M., arrive Scotland Neck 4.10 P. M., Greenville 5.47 P. M., Kinston 6.45 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.30 A. M., Greenville 8.30 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.05 A. m., Weldon 11.30 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 A. M. and 5.40 P. M.; arrive Parmele 8.55 A. M. and 6.10 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 11.10 A. M. and 8.22 P. M.; arrives Washington 12.30 A. M and 6.15 P. M. Daily except Sunday

Train leave Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 4.35 P. M.; Sunday, 4.05 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 6.35 P. M. and 6.30 P. M. Returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.30 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 9.55 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro daily except Sunday 8.00 A. M., arriving Smithfield 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M., arrives at Goldsboro 8:25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9 30 A. M. 4.00 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Spring Hope 11.05 A. M., 4.45 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 5.15 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M., 5.45 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M. 6.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.46 A. M., Dillon 10.59 A. M., Cheraw 11.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.10 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.31 P. M., Latta 6.44 P. M., Pee Dee 7.06 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Chadbourn 12.01 P. M.; arrive Conway 2.30 P. M.; returning leave Conway 2.55 P. M. arrive Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., leave Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Kirod 6.10 A. M., returning leave Kirod 6.40 A. M., arrive Chadbourn 11.25 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 6.30 P. M., Manning 6.56 P. M.; arrive Lane's 7.40 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.30 A. M., Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.45 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., *7.00 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10 A.M., *8.20 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.35 A. M.; *4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; *5.35 P. M.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 10.05 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.30 A. M., Hartsville 9.55 P. M., Cheraw 11.45 A. M., Wadesboro 12.50 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 6.00 P. M.; arrive Darlington 6.25 P. M., Bennettsville 9.25 P. M., Gibson 10.30 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 10.05 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.30 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.05 A. M. Bennettsville 7.05 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.15 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.35 A. M., Darlington 6.20 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.59 P. M., 11.10 P. M., arrive Selma 4.45 P. M. 11.50 P. M., Smithfield 5.03 P. M., Dunn 5.40 P. M. Fayetteville 6.25 P. M., 1 10 A. M., Rowland 6.10 P. M. returning leave Rowland 11.15 A. M., Fayetteville 12.35 P. M., 12.07 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 2.03

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 6.

BOER DELEGATES CALL ON THE PRESIDENT.

Had Conference With Secretary Hay—Informed That This Government Would Not Interfere in the Struggle.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Messrs. Wolmarans and Wessels, the Boer representatives who came to the United States from Europe for the purpose of conferring with the Secretary of State, have accomplished their purpose. It was distinctly understood that the Boers were to be received as private citizens and not in an official capacity. Secretary Hay talked to them freely with this understanding.

The principal object of the delegates was to induce the United States government to do something to terminate the present bloody struggle in South Africa. The Secretary of State heard them attentively and promised to consider their representations and to do whatever he could to ameliorate the conditions in South Africa. But he pointed out that the President was the prime authority in such matters and he recommended that the Boers see Mr. Roosevelt and ascertain his views.

A matter of complaint by the delegates was the shipment of horses, mules and provisions from the United States to the British forces in South Africa. Secretary Hay went over this subject very carefully with them, citing authorities and precedents, which he pointed out conclusively established the lack of authority on the part of the general government to stop the American farmer from shipping his provisions and the stock raiser from selling his produce anywhere in the world where they could get the best price. He also pointed out that the government's attitude in this, as in other matters connected with the South African war, has been strictly neutral and that the government has done nothing to prevent shipments of commodities to the Boer forces.

Later in the day, Messrs. Wolmarans and Wessels, accompanied by Dr Frederick Mueller, of the Orange Free State, called at the White House. They were received by President Roosevelt in the library and remained with him about fifteen minutes. They called as private citizens and not in their official capacity as Boer representatives.

Mr. Roosevelt listened attentively to what they had to say and then informed them that this government cannot and will not interfere in the struggle.

STORM IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Heaviest Snow of the Winter—Railroad Travel Practically Tied Up—Telegraph Service Disarranged.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, March 5.—With the exception of the extreme southeastern section of the State, the entire Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is tonight in the grasp of the heaviest snow storm of the winter. Railroad travel is practically tied up in many places and the indications for to morrow are not encouraging.

Eaton, Hazelton, Wilkesbarre and other points north of Philadelphia report that snow fell all day and still continued. To-night there are twenty-two to twenty four inches of snow on the ground at those points. Heavy drifts have closed up mountain passes, blocked railroads and closed down coal mines.

The storm is particularly severe from Harrisburg west to beyond the Allegheny mountains. At Harrisburg, Altoona and Bedford, twenty-four inches of snow have fallen, with the prospect that it will continue all night. From all points in that territory serious delay to steam railroads is reported.

Snow, sleet, rain and high winds were the conditions which prevailed in this city and vicinity the past twenty-four hours. The telegraphic service which had showed much improvement from the wreck of the recent storms, was again considerably disarranged.

PITTSBURG, PA., March 5.—From all sections of western Pennsylvania and the northeastern portion of West Virginia, the reports to-night are that the snow storm of to-day was the heaviest of the season. Business in many places was practically suspended, schools closed and the heavy drifts impeded seriously the operation of railroads and trolley systems.

HEAVY SNOW STORM.

In Western North Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee--Railroad Traffic Delayed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ROANOKE, VA., March 5.—A heavy snow fell throughout Southwest Virginia this morning. Reports received here show the fall to be from three to sixteen inches deep, the greatest fall being in the Shenandoah valley. Railroad traffic is being delayed.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., March 5.—Snow has fallen steadily here since last night.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., March 5.—Snow fell here all day. It is expected this snow, together with a hard rain last night, will cause another rise in the river.

SCHOONER ASHORE.

Big Six-Master George W. Wells Blown On the Shoals Near Newport News.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., March 5.—During the gale this afternoon, while the wind was blowing about sixty miles an hour, the six-masted schooner George W. Wells, Captain Crowley, was blown ashore just below the Chesapeake and Ohio pier No. 10 while an effort was being made to dock her. Two tugs have been pulling at the big ship all night, but have not budged her. She is badly listed, but not believed to be seriously damaged.

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SITUATION GROWS GRAVER.

Four Additional Companies of Militia Ordered Out—Bayonets Used—Arrival of Men From Knoxville to Take Place of Strikers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., March 5.—Street cars, guarded by troops, were run at long intervals here to day but no passengers were carried. All was quiet this morning and Mayor Beamon stated that there is no necessity yet for declaring martial law. Four additional companies of the Seventy-first infantry have been ordered out, and this will place the entire command in the field. two battalions being already in service.

The strikers were busy last night barricading the tracks, but this morning the obstructions were removed by the troops. At midnight the soldiers were called upon to disperse a mob at Church and Charotte streets. Bayonets were used but it is not known that there were any casualties. W. B. Rudolph, Tom Murray and Samuel Ayres, white, and Tom Jenkins, colored, were arrested before daylight this morning by a detachment of the Huntington Rifles, of Newport News, for tearing up street car tracks at the corner of Holt and Church streets. An officer of the company stated that an attempt at dynamiting the tracks had been made but the police denied this.

The Suffolk military arrived this afternoon and on the same train were fifteen strike-breakers from Knoxville. The men were taken to the barn by the troops. The arrival of the imported men intensifies the feeling and the situation grows graver.

The electrical workers have gone out on a sympathetic strike. All other employes of the Norfolk Railway and Light Company's gas, electric light and other plants, have been ordered out by the Central Labor Union.

General Manager C. Brooks Johnston, of the Street Railway Company, to-night addressed a letter to the committee of the Central Labor Union, stating that he would meet that body and the committee of strikers. This is the first concession made by either side. The letter also states that the company would take back all old men, now out, who would sign within the next twenty-four hours, provided they would work with the non-union men.

The strikers held a meeting, which lasted until long after midnight and unanimously and positively decided not to accept the conditions imposed by Mr. Johnston in his letter.

The city is quiet to-night, but the authorities expect trouble to-morrow.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., March 5.—A number of Knoxville conductors and motormen employed by the Knoxville Traction Company have been sent to Norfolk to take the places of the Norfolk (Va.) Railway and Light Company's strikers, the two roads belonging to the same syndicate.

SNOW STORM IN NEW YORK.

Traffic Delayed—Telegraph Service Demoralized—Wires Down in All Directions—Local Trains Stalled.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Another snow storm which threatened to do much damage started this morning. The snow was wet and heavy and caused much inconvenience and considerable delay to traffic on elevated and surface lines. On the river the weather was so thick that ferry boats were unable to run at more than half speed. The snow was accompanied by a moderate wind. The snow stopped shortly before noon and was followed by sleet. A total depth of six inches of snow had fallen.

Telegraphic service was further demoralized by the storm. The Western Union Company lost twenty out of thirty wires between New York and Philadelphia, and ten wires south of Philadelphia. The company reported that it was losing wires in all directions on account of the heavy snow, which in some localities was followed by sleet. Between Easton and Williamsport, Pa., twenty miles of Western Union poles are down.

The train service on the New York Central, which was disorganized by the floods, was further impeded by the snow. Local trains, which up to today were operated on time, were delayed by the snow. All through trains on railroads having terminals in Jersey City were late in arriving. Many coal trains on the Pennsylvania, Lehigh Valley and Central railroad of New Jersey are stalled in Pennsylvania, and as a result there is likely to be a scarcity of coal, particularly of the small varieties.

FIRE AT AIKEN, S. C.

Nine Buildings in the Centre of the City Destroyed---Several People Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

AIKEN, S. C., March 5.—Fire here early to day destroyed nine buildings, comprising a block in the center of the city. A gale was blowing and the flames were fought under great difficulties. There were no fatalities. Several people who were in Sunny Side Sanitarium, which was among the buildings destroyed, were injured. Their names have not been learned but it is certain none is seriously hurt. In addition to the sanitarium the following structures were burned:

Lyceum Hall, the Aiken *Recorder* office and the residences of Mrs. Quash, the Misses Ford and J. H. Loomis. A number of stables were destroyed. The financial loss is not large.

BANK BURGLARIZED.

Vault Blown Open and $10,000 in Cash and Bonds Stolen.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON IND., March 5.—The First National Bank of Montgomery, eight miles east of this city, was burglarized last night, the vault blown open by dynamite and $10,000 in cash and bonds stolen. Citizens heard five distinct explosions, but feared to attack the robbers, who had each approach under guard. The robbers escaped on a hand car. The loss is covered by insurance.

For Croup use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by Hardin's Palace Pharmacy.

ADVANCED PRICES FOR SPOT COTTON.

Theodore H Price Adheres to His Belief in a Crop of 9,500,000 Bales; That Cotton at Nine Cents is Very Cheap.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Within the past few days the cotton market has commenced to make some recognition of the facts underlying the situation, and the highest prices established thus far this season have been recorded. It appears more and more evident, however, that the advance has but just commenced. So deep-seated was the belief abroad in the large crop estimate of Neil and others that until recently the foreign trade has steadfastly refused to believe the evidence put before them in convincing facts that the American crop was a very short one. In a day or two, however, their attitude seems to have changed. The firmness of Southern holdings and unwillingness to sell except at full prices, have been the most convincing argument that could be offered, and Europe now, finding that it is unlikely to secure the balance of its supply of cotton at present prices, is eagerly advancing its bids in an effort to secure what is needed. It is obvious that Europe will require from March first, out of this year's crop, 1,800,000 bales. It is equally obvious that America requires at least as much if not more; 3,600,000 bales is therefore a low estimate of the cotton that must be in hand by the world's spinners in order to avoid stoppage of their machinery. The stocks at the Southern ports and interior towns at the commencement of the month were approximately 1,300,000 bales. A minimum estimate of the stocks necessary in America to the conduct of business at the end of the year is 150,000. Less than this means the closest corner the world has ever known. If this crop is even 10,000,000 bales (and I adhere to my belief that it is only about 9,500,000 bales year weight) there is to come in sight from March 1st a maximum of 1,500,000. Assuming, therefore, a crop of 10,000,000 we have a maximum supply of only 2,650,000 bales with which to meet a minimum demand of 3,600,000. Under these circumstances I believe that cotton at nine cents a pound is very cheap and that even at ten cents a pound the legitimate demand for it from spinners who must have it, will be more eager than it is at present. So far as the speculative market is concerned August is logically the month in which the stringency will be most acutely felt, and I venture the opinion that August contracts which are now selling at a discount of some fifteen points as compared with July, will ultimately prove to be the cheapest on the list.

THEODORE H. PRICE.

RACE TROUBLE IN ALABAMA THREATENED.

Mob of Negroes Marching to Release Two Murderers in the County Jail at Marian—Whites Arming.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MARIAN, ALA., March 5.—As the result of a report that a mob of negroes is marching towards this town with the intention of attacking the county jail and releasing two negro murderers, one of whom (Luke Sanders) is to hang to morrow, citizen soldiery is being organized to night and at 9 o'clock this evening fifty men were under arms, prepared to meet the negroes. Pickets have been thrown out on every road leading into the town and if the mob appears a serious conflict is feared. Early in the night leading citizens held a conference and it was decided not to ask the Governor for aid, as they believed it the duty of the people to protect law and order.

When the reports were first received little credence was placed in them. Several hours later couriers reported that real danger existed and the citizens' posse immediately organized.

Luke Sanders and John Sanders, the prisoners, are charged with the murder of Road Overseer Mullen, committed several months ago. Luke Sanders was sentenced to hang and the Supreme Court refused a new hearing, but recommended commutation of sentence by the Governor. The matter was referred to the State pardoning board and on their recommendation the Governor refused to interfere with the lower court's sentence. When news of this action reached Marian the negroes of Perry county were incensed and decided to release both men.

Perry county is one of the "black belt" counties and a large majority of the people is composed of negroes.

PRINCE HENRY AT NIAGARA.

Crossed the Frontier Into Canada—Welcomed by the Dominion—Resumed His Journey to Boston.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., March 5.—Prince Henry of Prussia travelled from Chicago to Niagara Falls to day, crossed the Canadian frontier for a brief stay during which he was officially welcomed by the Dominion and resumed his journey to night, bound for Boston over the New York Central line. His last stop in almost thirty hours of continued travelling was at Niagara Falls, which he saw bridged in with ice. He viewed the Horseshoe Falls from Table Rock, the American Falls from the ledge over the whirlpool on the Canadian shore, rode down the gorge to a point below the lower whirlpool and there inspected the plant of the Niagara Power Company which converts the force of nature to the purposes of commerce. He was much impressed by the falls and as he stood on Table Rock, looking across at the Horse-shoe he said: "It is magnificent; it is grand."

He was much impressed also by the swirling rapids down in the gorge and when he left his car at the Whirlpool he stood for several minutes watching the tumbling of the waters.

ADRIFT TWENTY-NINE DAYS.

Barge Cardenas Picked Up and Towed to Newport News.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., March 5.—The barge Cardenas, which broke adrift from the tug Cuba with the barge Matanzas on the night of February 2nd, was towed in here this morning by the Cuba which picked her up at Fire Island light, the Cardenas having been adrift for twenty-nine days. During that time she went as far as Bermuda and drifted and sailed over a zig-zag course totally at the mercy of the winds. Her last run before making the light was for 150 miles. All of the crew are well and the ship but little damaged.

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SHIP SUBSIDY BILL IN THE SENATE.

Senator Clay of Georgia Made Argument in Opposition to the Measure.

HE TOOK ISSUE WITH FRYE.

Declared That Shipyards of the United States Had Orders On Their Books That Would Require From Three to Four Years to Fill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—It appears likely now that the Senate will reach a vote upon the pending shipping bill one week from next Monday. When Senator Frye, in charge of the measure, endeavored to day to secure an agreement for the time of taking a vote, that date was mentioned as being satisfactory to the minority members of the Commerce Committee. As they have the opposition to the bill in charge, no objection is likely to be raised by other members of the Democratic side.

Senator Clay, Georgia, addressed the Senate to-day in opposition to the bill and had not concluded when the Senate adjourned. He made a forceful and interesting argument which was given careful attention by his colleagues.

Early in the session the Senate considered and passed the Legislative and Judicial appropriation bill, the second of the big supply measures to be acted upon at this session.

Senator Clay began by making it clear that he favors an ocean mail service fully equal, if not superior, to the similar service of other nations. It should be obtained, however, he argued, at a just and reasonable price and should not be connected with any subsidy scheme. The feature of the present bill, which carried the largest appropriation, was relative to betterment of the ocean mail service by the establishment of, a number of new lines. There was proposed an increased annual expenditure of three million dollars a year and yet there was nothing from the postal authorities to warrant the assumption that this was necessary or desired. The present foreign mail system he considered ample and sufficient for present needs, but even if it should not prove to be fully so, the existing law gave warrant for any necessary increase. He deprecated a policy which had for its purpose a subsidy to ship owners under the guise of mail pay.

Senator Clay devoted the main portion of his argument, however, to an attack upon the general subsidy feature of the bill, which is separate from the ocean mail feature. He argued that the low rates given by the foreign ships, against which American ship owners complained, do not at all work to the injury of American exporters who get the benefit of these low rates. Ocean freight rates are the cheapest in our history and the result of these low rates is seen in the great increase in American exports. There were but three grounds on which the supporters of this bill based their advocacy of a general subsidy. First, that it cost more to build ships in the United States than abroad. second, that the American wage scale is higher and therefore the cost of operating ships under the American flag is greater than under foreign flags; third, that foreign governments subsidize their merchant marine.

Senator Clay quoted a number of authorities to prove that with the better methods prevailing in the ship yards of this country the cost of construction is no higher here than abroad. He contended that Americans can build iron and steel ships as cheaply as they can be built in any other country in the world. With regard to the cost of operation, Senator Clay said that the American ship owners can and do obtain their labor in any ports at which they touch. The American ship owners make use of the cheapest labor they can obtain. The provision for a certain percentage of the crew to be American will not necessarily result in any material increase in the cost of operation, although an effort, he said, is made to have it so appear. He argued that to plead for the subsidy on the ground that the American laboring man would be benefitted by it was in no sense warranted.

With regard to the claim that the American merchant marine must be subsidized because subsidies are granted by competing governments, Senator Clay undertook to show that neither England nor Germany gives any general subsidy to its merchant marine. Both governments pay for ships which can be converted into auxiliary cruisers, but that is all. Great Britain's payment in this line was but $300,000 a year. He contended that there was no general subsidy of its merchant marine by either of the two governments, which are the chief commercial rivals of the United States.

Senator Clay compared the provisions of the present bill with that of the last Congress which had been defeated by the active work of the minority. He recalled the estimate of the commissioner of navigation upon which that former bill was based, that it would require nine million dollars a year to offset the advantages enjoyed by the foreign merchant marine, and compared with that estimate the one from the same official who now says that a subsidy of one million dollars a year will effect the same result. The enactment of this bill would not result in any material increase in the number of ships flying the American flag.

In the course of his argument Senator Clay made the point that the postmaster general had not recommended in his reports any such changes in the ocean mail service as was contemplated by the pending bill.

Senator Aldrich interrupted to inquire whether the foreign mails were carried in American vessels.

"I think not," replied Senator Clay. The mail was getting through, he said, but he could not say how much was being carried by foreign and how much by American steamships.

Senator Harris, Kansas, inquired if there was any provisions in the pending measure looking to competition in the letting of contracts for the carrying of ocean mails.

Senator Clay replied that the whole matter was in the hands of the postmaster general.

"Is it not a fact," suggested Senator Hanna, "that all mail carrying contracts are let in that way?"

"I think the Senator from Ohio is correct," responded Senator Clay. "My understanding is that under the act of 1891 the foreign mail service is left to the postmaster general to contract for in his discretion."

"There is nothing in this bill changing the method of making contracts," suggested Senator Hanna. "That is the point that I wanted to make clear."

To this Senator Clay agreed.

Senator Clay took sharp issue with Senator Frye who had stated in his opening speech upon the the bill that American ship yards were not filled with work. The Georgia Senator declared that his information, acquired from shipping and naval journals, was that the ship yards of this country had orders on their books that would require from three to four years to fill.

The Senate went into executive session and then adjourned

House of Representatives.

The House to-day continued the debate on the bill to classify the rural free delivery service, but without action adjourned early out of respect to the memory of Representatative Polk, of Pennsylvania, whose death occurred suddenly at Philadelphia last night. A committee of fifteen, including Mr. Griggs, of Georgia, was appointed to attend the funeral of the deceased member.

The conference report on the Pension Appropriation bill was adopted.

ISTHMIAN CANAL PROJECTS.

Every Fresh Turn in Developments Discloses a New Obstacle.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Every fresh turn in the development of the Isthmian canal project discloses a new obstacle. It now appears that the protocols negotiated last Spring with Nicaragua and Costa Rica, whereby those countries outlined the terms upon which they were prepared to enter into permanent treaties with the United States conveying the necessary rights for canal construction, are no longer of effect. Conditions have changed since then and whenever the balance of opinion seems to incline toward one route or the other for the canal, the government interested in the favored route suddenly hardens its terms, and is disposed to abandon past agreements. Therefore, it will be necessary to draw up new protocols, not only for the Panama canal with Colombia, but for the Nicaragua canal with Costa Rica and Nicaragua, in pursuance of the State Department's policy of placing it within the power of Congress to freely choose either route.

WARM WIRELETS.

Goldman, Sachs & Company, who yesterday announced engagement of $1,250,000 gold for export to Europe on Saturday, have increased this amount to $1,600,000.

W. E. Small & Co., stock brokers and members of the New York Cotton Exchange, with headquarters in Macon, Ga., and offices in Atlanta, Nashville and Chattanooga, Tenn., have suspended business.

Henry Fink has resigned the presidency of the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company and will be succeeded by F. J. Kimball, chairman of the board of directors.

John Henry Boyd, arrested Monday at Ewell, James City county, Va., has confessed the killing of another negro. He and an accomplice shot the victim nine times, in South Carolina. He is held awaiting requisition.

Bishop Potter was chairman and Booker T. Washington the principal speaker at a meeting held last night at Carnegie Hall, New York city, in the interest of the Hampton and Tuskegee institutes. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Armstrong Association.

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Notice—We have received another car load Jamaica Bananas, a great deal finer than the last one. Call and see them or send in your orders now. Will make shipments promptly and prices right. J. K. Westbrook & Co., 208 and 2 5 Market street, Bell 'Phone 447. feb 4 tf

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Statement of The Peoples' Savings Bank,

OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the close of business February 25 1902, condensed from report of Corporation Commission. (Business April 1900.)

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$ 218 978 86	Capital Stock	$ 30,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	199 00	Profits less expenses and taxes	5,290 79
Cash on hand and due from Banks	117 457 04	Deposits	298,293 01
Total	$ 336,583 80	Total	$ 336 583 80

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F. W. DICK, Cashier.

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Statement of the Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.

At close of business, February 25th, 1902, condensed from report to Corporation Commission.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Furniture and Fixtures	1.00	Capital	$ 25,000.00
Burglar Proof Safety Deposit Boxes	1.00	Interest reserve—accrued interest due depositors	3,000 00
Real estate	1,997 00	Profits—less expenses and taxes paid	43 18 34
Loans	8 4 9 6. 7	Deposits	779,846 16
Cash on hand and in banks	49,52 18		
	$835,744.00		$835,743.00

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Comparative Statement.

	February 26th, 1901.	February 25th, 1902
Deposits	668,197 75	779 846 16
Net profits	31,464 83	43,18 84
Deposits' interest reserve	6,5 0 40	8, 00 00

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